

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the 3rd full paragraph on page 2 of the Specification under "Constructions of the Invention" with the following replacement paragraph:

In the present invention, a teaching device for an automatic cutting machine having a cutting table and a cutting area on the table for placing a sheet within the area, the teaching device, upon the designation of at least two teaching points on the sheet, computing a position and a slope of the sheet to the cutting area, correcting marking data in accordance with the position and the slope of the sheet, and cutting the sheet with corrected marking data, the teaching device is characterized

by a monitor displaying cutting information,_____ and

by image processing means for making an image of the cutting area displayed on the monitor and for composing a cutting pattern according to the corrected marking data with the image of the cutting area on a corresponding position.

Please replace the second full paragraph on page 3 of the Specification with the following replacement paragraph:

Further, in the invention, a teaching device for an automatic cutting machine having a cutting table and a cutting area on the table for placing a sheet within the area, the teaching device, upon the designation of at least two teaching points on the sheet, computing a position and a slope of the sheet to the cutting area, correcting marking data in accordance with the position and the slope of the cutting sheet, and cutting the sheet with corrected marking data, the teaching device is characterized

by judgement judgment means for judging whether the cutting pattern is

contained within the cutting area, after designation of the teaching points and the

correction of the marking data, _____ and

by subsidiary means for evaluating whether movement of the marking data in position makes the cutting pattern within the cutting area, when the error is judged by the judgement judgment means, and for correcting the marking data so as to confine the cutting pattern within the cutting area, when the movement is evaluated possible.